

# Recycling Business Development Grants



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# Recycling Business Development Grants – Eligible Entities

## Eligible Entities

- For profit or non-profit corporations
- Massachusetts location where activities occur
- In substantial compliance for past 3 years
- Conducting processing, manufacturing or reuse activities
- Not collection or brokering activities, not staff or consultant time

# Recycling Business Development Grants – Eligible Activities

- Processing, manufacturing or reuse
- Not incineration or preparation as fuel
  - Except for wood from mattresses
- Ineligible activities
  - Collection or brokering
  - Staff time or operating costs
- Must take place in Massachusetts and provide measurable economic benefit in Mass.
- Must be completed within 3 years



# RBDG– Eligible Materials

## Rounds 1 & 2

- Glass
- Mattresses
- Packaged food materials
- Post –consumer rigid and film plastics
- May not be exclusively on-site
  - Except for packaged food materials

# Recycling Business Development Grants – Grant Amounts

- Between \$50,000 and \$400,000
- Minimum match of 25% required
- Divided into three parts
  - Initial payment – portion of equipment cost
  - Performance based payments
  - Final 10% paid upon completion



# Round 1 Awards

- 7 awards for \$917,000
- Glass – 2 awards - \$250,000
- Mattresses – 2 awards - \$302,000
- Packaged food material – 1 award -\$200,000
- Plastics – 2 awards - \$165,000



# Round 2 Awards

- 3 awards for \$500,000
- All for packaged food materials



# Round 3 Awards

- Planning to issue application in Spring 2017
- Expect the program to continue as is
- EXCEPT FOR revisiting list of target materials





# Target Material Selection

- Criteria include
  - Significant additional diversion potential or market improvement
  - ID specific barriers/opportunities
  - Ability to manage in-state
  - Contribute to jobs and economic development
  - Have meaningful impact on market commodity with limited injection of capital
  - Synergy with other MassDEP initiatives
  - Round 1 materials – assess progress made



# Target Material Selection cont.

- Reconsider round 1 materials
- Possible organic materials
  - Packaged food materials
  - Food materials with contamination (e.g., post consumer)
  - Improve capital & equipment at existing operations



# Suggestions or Questions

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